Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for preparing diphenylchlorosilanes by the Grignard process comprising contacting a phenyl Grignard reagent, an ether solvent, a trichlorosilane selected from the group consisting of methyltrichlorosilane, phenyltrichlorosilane, and vinyltrichlorosilane, and ~~an aromatic hydrocarbon coupling solvent~~ toluene; wherein the mole ratio of the ether solvent to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 2 to 5, the mole ratio of the trichlorosilane to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 0.1 to 10, and the mole ratio of the ~~aromatic coupling solvent~~toluene to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 3 to 7.

2. (Original) The process according to Claim 1 wherein the phenyl Grignard reagent is phenyl magnesium chloride.

3. (Previously Presented) The process according to Claim 1 wherein the ether solvent is a dialkyl ether selected from the group consisting of dimethyl ether, diethyl ether, ethylmethyl ether, n-butylmethyl ether, n-butylethyl ether, di-n-butyl ether, di-isobutyl ether, isobutylmethyl ether, and isobutylethyl ether.

4 . (Canceled)

5. (Canceled)

6. (Currently amended) A process for preparing diphenylchlorosilanes by the Grignard process comprising contacting a phenyl Grignard reagent, an ether solvent, a phenylchlorosilane selected from the group consisting of phenylmethyldichlorosilane, phenyltrichlorosilane, diphenyldichlorosilane, and phenylvinyldichlorosilane,, and ~~an aromatic hydrocarbon coupling solvent~~toluene; wherein the mole ratio of the ether solvent to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 2 to

5, the mole ratio of the phenylchlorosilane to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 0.5 to 5, and the mole ratio of the ~~aromatic coupling solvent~~toluene to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 3 to 7.

7. (Original) The process according to Claim 6 wherein the phenyl Grignard reagent is phenyl magnesium chloride.

8. (Previously Presented) The process according to Claim 6 wherein the ether solvent is a dialkyl ether selected from the group consisting of dimethyl ether, diethyl ether, ethylmethyl ether, n-butylmethyl ether, n-butylethyl ether, di-n-butyl ether, di-isobutyl ether, isobutylmethyl ether, and isobutylethyl ether.

9. (Canceled)

10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) A process for preparing diphenylchlorosilanes by the Grignard process comprising contacting a phenyl Grignard reagent, an ether solvent, a trichlorosilane selected from the group consisting of methyltrichlorosilane, phenyltrichlorosilane, and vinyltrichlorosilane, a phenylchlorosilane selected from the group consisting of phenylmethyldichlorosilane, phenyltrichlorosilane, diphenyldichlorosilane, phenylvinyldichlorosilane,, and toluene~~an aromatic hydrocarbon coupling solvent~~; wherein the mole ratio of the ether solvent to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 2 to 5, the mole ratio of the trichlorosilane to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 0.1 to 10, the mole ratio of the phenylchlorosilane to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 0.5 to 5, and the mole ratio of ~~the aromatic coupling solvent~~ toluene to the phenyl Grignard reagent is 3 to 7.

12. (Original) The process according to Claim 11 wherein the phenyl Grignard reagent is phenyl magnesium chloride.

13. (Previously Presented) The process according to Claim 11 wherein the ether solvent is a dialkyl ether selected from the group consisting of dimethyl ether, diethyl ether, ethylmethyl ether, n-butylmethyl ether, n-butylethyl ether, di-n-butyl ether, di-isobutyl ether, isobutylmethyl ether, and isobutylethyl ether.

14. (Canceled)

15. (Canceled)

16. (Canceled)